

House Resolution 1530

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Ashe of the 56th, Gardner of the 57th, Lindsey of the 54th, Benton of the 31st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating Bill Hartman on the occasion of his retirement from
2 WSB-TV; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Bill Hartman has long been recognized by the citizens of Georgia for the vital
4 role that he has played in sports broadcasting and his deep personal commitment to the job;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
7 talents, and energy toward the betterment of sports broadcasting as evidenced dramatically
8 by his many years of outstanding service; and

9 WHEREAS, he was born and raised in Athens, Georgia, and graduated in 1970 from the
10 University of Georgia with a journalism degree and immediately went to work as a
11 sportscaster for WAGA-TV in Atlanta, working there for eight months before going on
12 active duty with the Air Force in 1971, where he served for two years as a public information
13 officer; and

14 WHEREAS, following his service in the Air Force, he worked for a year at the University
15 of Georgia before returning to WAGA-TV in 1974; and

16 WHEREAS, in 1995, he joined WSB-TV, and in a career spanning a total of 35 years in
17 broadcasting in Atlanta, he has won several Emmy awards, been named Georgia Sportscaster
18 of the Year, and has covered such sporting events as the Olympics, Super Bowls, World
19 Series, and the Masters golf tournament; and

20 WHEREAS, he is an avid golfer and counts a round at Augusta National as one of his
21 fondest memories; and

22 WHEREAS, he and his wife Glee live in Atlanta and they have two children; and

1 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
2 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

3 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
4 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body commend Mr. Bill Hartman for his many years of efficient,
7 effective, unselfish, and dedicated sports broadcasting; congratulate him upon the occasion
8 of his retirement; and extend to him their most sincere best wishes for continued health and
9 happiness.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
11 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Bill Hartman.